

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Sarah Jo Lambert was recognized with a 2011 Woman of
2 Excellence award from the YWCA of Lubbock for her achievements in
3 the field of youth leadership; and

4 WHEREAS, An annual project that has honored 185 individuals
5 since 1989, the YWCA Women of Excellence awards are given to women
6 leaders whose contributions to business, industry, and area
7 associations are crucial to the success of those organizations and
8 the Lubbock community; the awards program is in keeping with the
9 YWCA's goal to empower women and their families and to establish
10 strong role models for the next generation of South Plains women;
11 and

12 WHEREAS, Sarah Jo Lambert is a senior at Lubbock High School
13 who decided in 2007 to fulfill Girl Scout award requirements by
14 completing a project that would also teach children about
15 conservation; two years of hard work, fund-raising, and
16 collaboration followed, and her creation, an environmental center
17 at the Rio Blanco Girl Scout camp in Crosbyton, opened in 2009;
18 named the Lorax Lodge for her favorite Dr. Seuss book, the
19 800-square-foot center is carbon-neutral and made completely from
20 earth-friendly and recycled materials, and a nature trail and
21 curriculum guide complement its message of sustainability; Ms.
22 Lambert raised more than \$235,000 in contributions and in-kind
23 donations to build the center and enlisted the help of more than
24 2,200 volunteers, including Texas Tech University students, two

1 structural engineers, and a landscape architect; and

2 WHEREAS, The Lorax Lodge has been selected as a model for
3 sustainable construction to be used by students in the Texas
4 Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math program at Texas Tech,
5 and Ms. Lambert has been recognized with many honors for her
6 achievements, including the President's Environmental Youth Award,
7 the Texas Environmental Excellence Award, the Girl Scouts of
8 America Gold Award, and the Gloria Barron Prize for Young Heroes; in
9 addition, she was named to the Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation Class
10 of 2011; and

11 WHEREAS, Ms. Lambert's interests also extend to other
12 important areas of concern; she helped to initiate a campaign
13 adopted by numerous Girl Scout troops in which dolls were made and
14 sent to children in Iraq as a symbol of international friendship,
15 and seeking to encourage physical fitness among local elementary
16 school children, she solicited donations used to purchase
17 volleyball equipment for the Boys and Girls Clubs of Lubbock;
18 moreover, she has volunteered for six years with Meals on Wheels;
19 and

20 WHEREAS, This remarkable young Texan is the social chair of
21 her school's University Interscholastic League speech and debate
22 team and the editor in chief of her school's yearbook, as well as a
23 regional delegate for the Girl Scouts of Texas Oklahoma Plains
24 Council; she plans to study journalism and political science in
25 college and to one day work in environmental journalism; in all of
26 her endeavors, she is supported by her loving parents, Dr. Matthew
27 Lambert and Maureen Lambert, and her brother, Matthew Lambert, Jr.;

1 and

2 WHEREAS, Inspiring others with her notable accomplishments,
3 Sarah Jo Lambert stands at the forefront of those individuals who
4 are making a positive difference in their communities, and she is
5 indeed deserving of this prestigious honor; now, therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the 82nd Legislature of the State of Texas
7 hereby congratulate Sarah Jo Lambert on her selection as a 2011 YWCA
8 of Lubbock Woman of Excellence and extend to her sincere best wishes
9 for continued success and happiness; and, be it further

10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
11 prepared for Ms. Lambert as an expression of high regard by the
12 Texas House of Representatives and Senate.

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Perry

H.C.R. No. 112

David Dewhurst

President of the Senate

Joe Straus

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 112 was adopted by the House on April 21, 2011, by a non-record vote.

Robert Hance

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 112 was adopted by the Senate on May 3, 2011, by a viva-voce vote.

Daisy Spaw

Secretary of the Senate

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Date

Rick Perry

Governor

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